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**Via Airborne Express**

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20423



**RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 636X)  
CSX Transportation, Inc. Abandonment  
St. Clair County, Michigan**

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed are the original and ten (10) copies of the Publisher's Affidavit referred to in Paragraph 7 of CSX Transportation, Inc.'s Notice of Exemption filed on June 13, 2003, in the above-captioned matter. As you can see from the Affidavit, the Notice of Exemption was published on June 12, 2003 in *The Times Herald* in Port Huron, St. Clair County, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

*Natalie S. Rosenberg*  
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Enclosures



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STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 636X)

**Notice of Exemption to Abandon  
a Line of Railroad**

CSX Transportation, Inc. gives notice that on or about June 13, 2003, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments permitting the abandonment of a line of railroad in the Western Region, known as its Detroit Division, Port Huron Subdivision, from Milepost CBD-83.28 at Tappan, to Milepost CBD-85.96, near Port Huron, a distance of 2.68 miles, which traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Codes 48060 and 48061 in St. Clair County, Michigan. The proceeding will be docketed as No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 636X).

The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA), Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling that office at 202-927-6211.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicants' representative [See 49 CFR 1104.12 (a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at 202-565-1594. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative: (Natalie S. Rosenberg, CSX Transportation, Inc., 500 Water Street, J-150, Jacksonville, FL 32202).

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